



9th September 2026

Dear Member,

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 207th **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Birmingham Law Society will be held at 3PB Barristers Chambers, Colmore Building, 20 Colmore Circus Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6AT on Thursday 24th September at 5.00pm for the transaction of the following business.

1. To approve the Minutes of the AGM 2025
2. To receive the Report of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2026 and the Society's Accounts for the same period.
3. To adopt new Articles of Association in the form produced to the meeting in place of the Societies current Articles of Association
4. To present the President and Professional Officers for **2026/2027** as follows:

- **President:** Guy Barnett
- **Vice President:** Sabina Kauser
- **Deputy Vice President:** Samantha Ingram

5. To fill vacancies on the Council:

- The retiring ordinary members of the Council are:
 - (i) Catherine Edwards
 - (ii) Pardeep Lagha
 - (iii) Grace Mullis

(iv) Lubna Shuja

- The ordinary members of Council who are nominated for re-election are: NONE.
- Those ex officio members retiring are Richard Port MBE.
- Additionally, the following members of the Society have applied for 6 vacancies as Council Members which will be decided at the AGM by way of a contested election:

1. Kristian Campbell-Drummond

2. Pragya Chadha

3. Philip Chapman

4. Christy Davies

5. Rebecca Davies

6. Kate Hatton

7. Viney Jhalley

8. Alan Ma

9. Christie Nelson

10. Rajpreet Sangha

11. Sukie Shemar

12. Deirdre Smythe

6. To reappoint the following Board Members as Elected Directors:

(i) Ben Joseph Henry

(ii) Stephanie Louise Perraton

(iii) Paul Joseph Wilson

(iv) Matthew Ravel Louis O'Brien

7. To appoint Calum Nisbet as Company Secretary

8. To appoint the Reporting Accountants and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration and terms of engagement.

9. To transact any other business of the Society.

Drinks and canapés will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

By the order of the Council.

Matt O'Brien

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President

Registered Office: 6 Bennetts Hill, Birmingham, B2 5ST

Notes to the Notice of General Meeting:

1. As a Member of the Society, you are entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of your rights to attend, speak and vote at the Meeting and you should have received a proxy form with this Notice of meeting. You can only appoint a proxy using the procedures set out in these notes and the notes to the proxy form.

2. A proxy does not need to be a Member of the Society but must attend the Meeting to represent you. Details of how to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting or another person as your proxy using the proxy form are set out in the notes to the proxy form.

3. If you do not give your proxy an indication of how to vote on any resolution, your proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or abstain from voting) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the Meeting.

4. The notes to the proxy form explain how to direct your proxy how to vote on each resolution or withhold their vote.

5. To appoint a proxy using the proxy form, the form must be:

5.1 completed and signed;

5.2 sent or delivered to the Society at the Registered Office; or

5.3 sent by email to info@birminghamlawsociety.co.uk; and

5.4 received by the Society no later than 5pm on 23rd September 2026.

A proxy form received other than set out above will be invalid.

6. A person may be appointed as a proxy for more than one member of the Society.

7. In the case of a Member which is a company, the proxy form must be executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an officer of the company or an attorney for the company.

8. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which the proxy form is signed (or a duly certified copy of such power or authority) must be included with the proxy form.

9. To change your proxy instructions simply submit a new proxy appointment using the methods set out above. Note that the cut-off time for receipt of proxy appointments (see above) also apply in relation to amended instructions; any amended proxy appointment received after the relevant cut-off time will be disregarded.

10. Where you have appointed a proxy and would like to change the instructions using another proxy form, please contact the BLS Team at the Registered Office.

11. If you submit more than one valid proxy appointment, the appointment received last before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence.

12. In order to revoke a proxy instruction, you will need to inform the BLS office by sending a notice in accordance with paragraph 5 clearly stating your intention to revoke your proxy appointment. In the case of a Member which is a company, the revocation notice must be executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an officer of the company or an attorney for the company. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which the revocation notice is signed (or a duly certified copy of such power or authority) must be included with the revocation notice.

13. The revocation notice must be received by the Society no later than the date and time set out in paragraph 5. If you attempt to revoke your proxy appointment but the revocation is received after the time specified then, subject to the paragraph directly below, your proxy appointment will remain valid.

14. The appointment of a proxy does not preclude you from attending the Meeting and voting in person. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the Meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.

15. Except as provided above, Members who have general queries about the Meeting should contact the BLS Team by post at the Registered Office or by email on info@birminghamlawsociety.co.uk (no other methods of communication will be accepted).